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To the members of the
English-Speaking Congregation

General Assembly of the Church May 19, 2019 Letter of Invitation

Geneva, April 12, 2019

Dear Fellow Members of the English-Speaking Congregation,

It is my pleasure to invite you to a General Assembly of our Church, which will take place on
May 19, 2019, at 11:30 in the sanctuary.

Before the assembly, we will celebrate a bilingual worship service at 10:00, and the assembly will be followed by a time of common fellowship around a shared buffet canadien.

Please plan to attend. The Church Council would like to have as many members as possible be present at this important moment of decision for the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Geneva.

This assembly will be held together with the German-Speaking Congregation. The main point of the agenda (which is attached to this letter) is to vote on new governing documents of our church. The last substantial revision of the ELCG Constitution was adopted by a General Assembly back in 1980. Some years ago, the Church Council decided to enter a process of revision of that Constitution. The result of this process is a series of three documents – a revised Constitution as well as Bylaws and Continuing Resolutions – that have been presented to the English-Speaking Congregation in a forum on October 14, 2018. The documents have been warmly received by both congregations. No substantial changes have been made following the hearing process, and now, in the General Assembly on May 19, we ask you to vote on them in the view of an official adoption.

All relevant documents for the Assembly can be viewed and downloaded following the link
<https://luther250.com/elcg-general-assembly-may2019/>

They are also available at the English-Speaking Congregation office. One of the documents is intended to give you an explanation of the main changes with regard to the Constitution from 1980.

Yours in Christ,

(Friedrich Lohmann, Chairperson of the Church Council of the Lutheran Church of Geneva)